

# Legislative Update

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# Legislative Update

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“Members of Congress, unable to reach deals on issues such as infrastructure, gun control, police reform, a Capitol security supplemental, and a commission to investigate the Jan. 6 riot, will spend the summer drafting spending bills they hope to pass by the fall.”



JUNE 11, 2021

**“It’s going to be a long winter.”**

Senator Richard Shelby (R-AL) – Senate Appropriations  
Committee Ranking Member



**...Government funding runs out in 109 days**

# FY 2022 Appropriations

- May 25<sup>th</sup> and 26<sup>th</sup>: House and Senate L-HHS Hearings on the NIH FY22 Budget
- May 28<sup>th</sup>: Release of Full FY22 President's Budget Request

## Transition Years & Timing to Completion of NIH Appropriations

Election (CR in effect)	Immediate FY Appropriation Enacted	Full President's Budget Release	Next FY Appropriation Enacted
November 2020	FY2021 December 27, 2020	<b>FY2022</b> <b>May 28, 2021</b>	<b>FY2022</b> <b>TBD</b>
November 2016	FY2017 May 5, 2017	FY2018 May 23, 2017	<b>FY2018</b> <b>March 23, 2018</b>
November 2012	FY2013 March 26, 2013	FY2014 April 10, 2013	<b>FY2014</b> <b>January 17, 2014</b>

# House L-HHS Hearing – FY22 NIH Budget, 5/25/21



Chair. Rosa DeLauro (D-CT) *“Can you give specific examples of how ARPA-H will advance research/treatment for ALS, Cancer, Diabetes? Is this duplicative of NCATS?”*



Rep. Tom Cole (R-OK) *“\$6.5B for Year 1 of ARPA-H “a little fast...why not start more modestly?”*

*I agree with top line - not sure about split.”*



## Senate L-HHS Hearing – FY22 NIH Budget 5/26/21



**ARPA-H:** Ranking Member Roy Blunt (R-MO): “\$6.5 billion –A realistic number for year one?”

**Childhood Cancer:** Senator Jack Reed (D-RI): “I want to commend Dr. Sharpless for his efforts on childhood cancer...and commend NCI for its renewed emphasis on childhood cancer, both for treatments and for gathering data ...”

**Harassment:** Chairwoman Patty Murray (D-WA): “NIH must do more to use its enormous influence with the research community to enforce change in the nation’s universities and research institutions. I expect NIH to continue building on its efforts so far to remove racism, discrimination, and harassment from research”

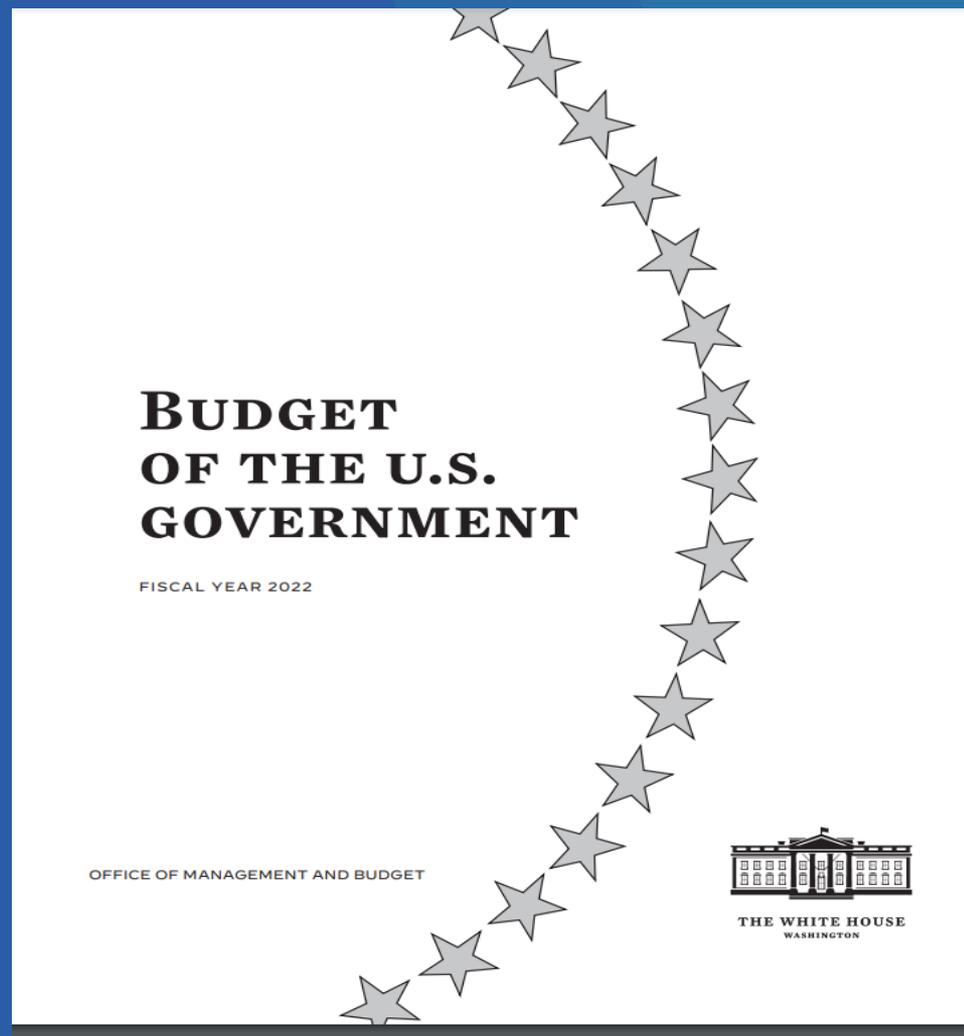
# FY 2022 Budget Request

Released May 28, 2021

	FY22	Increase from FY21 enacted
NIH	\$52 B	\$ 9 B*
NCI	\$6.73 B#	\$174 M

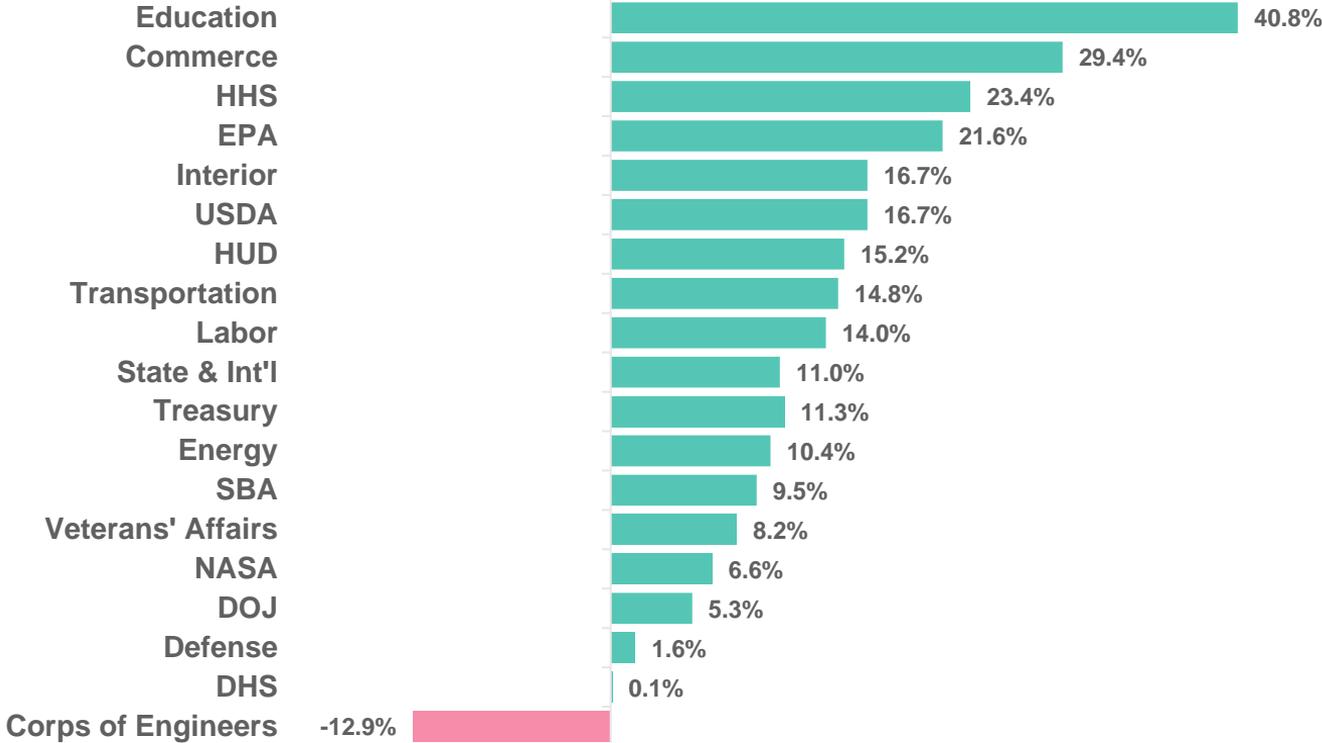
\*Includes \$6.5 for ARPA-H

# Includes Cancer Moonshot



# Funding changes in President Biden's FY22 Request

## Percent change in funding, by department and major agency



SOURCE: Office of Management and Budget.

# Upcoming congressional schedule and key dates

■ Both chambers in session 
 ■ Senate only in session 
 ■ House only in session 
   House committee work

## June

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### JUNE OUTLOOK

- President Biden will travel to the UK and Brussels in his first overseas trip to attend the G7 and NATO summits from **June 11-14**; Biden and Russian President Vladimir Putin will meet on **June 16** in Switzerland
- Senate votes on key legislation including the For the People Act and the US Innovation and Competition Act will take place in June
- House Democrats will begin drafting appropriations bills, with subcommittee markups beginning **June 24**

## July

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### JULY OUTLOOK

- House Speaker Nany Pelosi (D-CA-12) and Senate Majority Leader Chuck Schumer (D-NY) aim to vote on infrastructure in July
- Monthly child tax credit payments begin on **July 15**; the credits were expanded under the American Rescue Plan
- Suspension of the debt ceiling is set to expire on **July 31**

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# Recent Congressional Events

- Personalized Medicine Caucus Virtual Briefing – Dr. Sharpless, May 13<sup>th</sup>
- Littlest Tumor Foundation Virtual Briefing – Dr. Brigitte Widemann, Chief, CCR Pediatric Oncology Branch, May 7<sup>th</sup>
- The Children’s Inn 30<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Event – Dr. Sharpless, May 5<sup>th</sup>
- ACS CAN Virtual Briefing – Dr. Sharpless, March 24<sup>th</sup>



Ned Sharpless, MD [@NCIDirector](#) · May 5

I'm grateful for [@theNCI](#)'s partnership with [@TheChildrensInn](#), and the opportunity to celebrate 30 yrs of Hope + Discovery together! Thank you to The Inn staff and supporters and to the amazing families who participate in clinical research at [@NCI\\_CCR\\_PedOnc](#). [#PediatricCancer](#)

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Today's event hosted by our partners in [#ChildhoodCancer](#), [@TheChildrensInn](#), celebrated 30 years of [#hope](#) & [#discovery](#)! In (virtual) attendance: [@NCIDirector](#), [@SenCapito](#) [@SenJackReed](#) [@rosadelauro](#) and [@RepBalderson](#). Thank you for providing "A Place Like Home" for our patients!



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Congressional spouses and [@theNCI](#) [#PediatricCancer](#) oncologists were original founders of [@TheChildrensInn](#). Congressional support for The Inn continues today. Thank you [@SenCapito](#), [@SenJackReed](#), [@rosadelauro](#), + [@RepBalderson](#) for celebrating 30 yrs of Hope and Discovery with us!

# Science and Technology Innovation Bills

(Goal: Enhance U.S. ability to compete with China)



- Senate recently passed Sen. Majority Leader Chuck Schumer's (D-NY) "U.S. Innovation and Competition Act" ([S. 1260](#))
  - Designed to boost R&D in the U.S.
  - \$81B for NSF FY22-26 (including a new tech directorate), DARPA, DOE/National Labs, NASA, and Commerce Dept regional technology hubs
  - Over \$50 billion for the U.S. Semiconductor industry
  - NIH-Relevant Amendments: Foreign Influence, Gain of Function Research
- Does NOT have a clear path forward in the House (companion legislation stalled)
- This week, House will mark up two competing bills, both introduced by Rep. Eddie Bernice Johnson (D-TX-30), Chair of the House Committee on Science, Space & Technology
  - [H.R. 2225](#) - National Science Foundation for the Future Act
  - [H.R. 3593](#) - Department of Energy Science for the Future Act

# Telehealth Proposals

- [H.R. 366](#) – Protecting Access to Post-COVID–19 Telehealth Act
- [H.R. 341](#) – Ensuring Telehealth Expansion Act
- [S.57 /H.R. 596](#)– Advancing Connectivity during the Coronavirus to Ensure Support for Seniors (ACCESS) Act
- [S. 368/H.R. 1332](#) – Telehealth Modernization Act
- [S. 168](#) – Temporary Reciprocity to Ensure Access to Treatment “Treat” Act
- [H.R. 2903/S. 1512](#) – Creating Opportunities Now for Necessary and Effective Care Technologies (CONNECT) for Health Act



Jan. 2021

February

March

# *Questions?*

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